## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 30 By Springer

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Kenneth Owen.

WHEREAS, the members of the General Assembly were deeply saddened to learn of the death of one of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation's most dedicated employees,

Kenneth Owen; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Owen was born November 7, 1962 in Charlotte, Tennessee, to Rodney and Gyrleen Owen. He graduated from Dickson County High School, Class of 1981, and the Tennessee Technological University in 1985, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management with Special Emphasis on Management Information Systems; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth maintained an exceptional 3.3 Grade Point Average while working his way through TTU; and

WHEREAS, he participated in many extracurricular activities; the University

Reaccreditation Self-Study Committee; Student Financial Aid Committee; Society for the

Advancement of Management; Data Processing Management Association; Tennessee Tech

Men's Chorus; Phi Gamma Delta Social Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth was recognized for his scholastic achievement by Mortar Board,
Beta Gamma Sigma, and Alpha Lambda Delta, received the Phi Gamma Delta Educational
Foundation Scholarship, and appeared on the Dean's List for seven quarters; and

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WHEREAS, Kenneth was employed at Shelton's Sporting Goods in Dickson from 1978 through 1984; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth began work for the TBI on September 3, 1985 as a System Analyst and was promoted to Information Systems Director on March 16, 1993, where he worked until his death on September 3, 1996; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth enjoyed the companionship of his wife, Terri, his parents, Rodney and Gyrleen Owen, his brother Roy Owen, his sister, Melissa Buttrey, several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth's infectious smile and wonderful humor, his compassion for his fellow man and love of life will be missed by all those whose lives he touched; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that his legislative body pause in its deliberations to remember the bountiful life of this exemplary state employee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, That we honor Kenneth Owen, remembering with admiration his exemplary character and his many selfless contributions to his community and the people of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Kenneth Owen.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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